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EDDIE LUCIO III

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Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
236 Massachusetts Avenue NE  
Suite 110  
Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Commissioner:

I am writing to express my support of the Texas Health Information Network Collaborative infrastructure proposal that was submitted by Texas Health Information Collaboration. The THINC has been working very hard towards finding new solutions that will heighten the level of healthcare for rural Texans, which in turn, will benefit the community and serve as a valuable investment in their future.

THINC is a statewide effort encompassing all of Texas. It will allow the rural health care providers to connect with urban medical centers, telehealth programs and services, medical education and other services by making high speed broadband access available. The result will be a substantial increase in access to quality health care, patient safety and satisfaction. I fully support these efforts of THINC and pledge to work with them to improve the quality of life for the families in the lower Rio Grande Valley.

We appreciate the FCC's interest in expanding the capabilities of rural health care delivery and improving the care of all Texans.

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Eddie Lucio III".

Eddie Lucio, III  
State Representative  
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